IWSAW News

Reception in Honor of Anissa Najjar President of the Village Welfare Society

Anissa Najjar, founder and president of the Village Welfare Society, received the Women's Creativity in Rural Life Prize for the year 2000. She is one of the 34 nominees who received the award that is granted on an annual basis by the Women's World **Summit Foundation** (WWSF). At the recommendation of won the award that she very much deserves. To honor her, a reception was held on October 16, 2000 in which IWSAW director, Mona Khalaf presented her with the badge sent by the WWSF.



IWSAW Director Mona Khalaf and Anissa Najjar



Minister Bechara Merhej, Mona Khalaf, Rouhi Baalbaki, Anissa Najjar and Khaled Najjar

Hanan Al Shaykh **Debating**

On November 7, 2000 IWSAW organized a discussion in which writer Hanan Al-Shaykh and journalist Doha Chams participated. Al-Shaykh spoke about her childhood that had a tremendous impact on the woman she became, her daring and controversial writings, her marriage and family life, etc.



Mona Khalaf, Doha Chams and Hanan Al-Sheikh